Federal Election Commission
Office of Complaints Examination
And Legal Administration
Attn: Frankie Hampton, Paralegal
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20436

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan;

This letter is in response to the complaint filed against Jeff Holmes for Congress (the committee) numbered: MUR 6916. I believe no action should be taken against this committee or against me as treasurer. I have discussed this matter with the candidate and the finance director and these are the reasons why.

The complaint states that our committee received services from "Catalist". We never had heard of Catalist, nor received any benefits from Catalist, nor any services. Our only services were from NGP-VAN which helped develop our website, host it, and supplied the software to track our donations and file our electronic reports to the FEC. The FEC has all of this information, as well as documentation of the payments made to NGP-VAN for these services.

Our fundraising came entirely from lists the campaign itself generated and one assisting organization Christensen & Associates, Inc. that consulted on contacting Labor Union PACs. The majority of our funding came from the candidate's family, friends, colleagues, and interested democrats in our district. We only raised about \$134,000, and the candidate donated over \$25,000 of that.

The third claim about the DNC controlling Catalist and giving aid to committees also does not apply to us. We never received help from the DNC, DCCC or any other national committee, because we were told our race was not winnable. No Democrat has won our district since the late 1930s. Therefore, we received absolutely no assistance from the national party. Obviously, we also could not receive help from Catalist.

I have enclosed copies of contracts from the campaign. I hope it is obvious to you that our small campaign could not have benefitted from this organization. Please remove us from this complaint.

Thank you,

Greg Mapes